

**In the claims:**

**Please amend claims 16, 28, 56 – 58, 61 and 64.**

**A clean copy of the pending claims is submitted herein on separate pages.**

16. (AMENDED) The method according to claim 14 wherein the step of storing the predetermined identifying name of the element further comprises the step of:
- (a) establishing an element record, on the memory module, said element record at least comprising a first [digital] data field for storing the identifying name therein, and, a second [digital] data field for storing the digital video image therein and wherein each [digital] data field of the element record is associated with the identifying name of the element.
28. (AMENDED) A method for performing a videographic survey of a plurality of survey elements comprising the steps:
- (a) preparing a videographic survey database on a base computer operating a database program for storing and organizing data, the videographic survey database including a separate element record for each of the survey elements with each separate element record comprising a first [digital] data field for storing an identifying name of the survey element and a plurality of other [digital] data fields associated with the identifying name for storing other data associated with the survey element, the other [digital] data fields including data fields for storing any one of, a video image, an audio data file, a text data file and a graphics data file;

- (b) transferring the separate element record for each element of the survey from the base computer to a memory module contained within a video camera system;
- (c) associating a barcode, including a bar pattern representative of the identifying name of the element, with each of the survey elements;
- (d) selecting one of the survey elements of the videographic survey for recording a video image thereof;
- (e) scanning the barcode associated with the selected one of the survey elements with a barcode scanner which is in direct communication with the video camera system to determine the identifying name of the selected element, thereby identifying the selected element to the video camera system;
- (f) recalling the element record associated with the selected element from the memory module;
- (g) capturing a video image of the selected element with the video camera system;
- (h) converting the video image to a digital video image within the video camera system; and,
- (i) storing the digital video image in an appropriate data field of the element record.

56. (AMENDED) The method according to claim 16 wherein the element record further includes a plurality of other [digital] data fields for storing other [digital] data relating to the element.

57. (AMENDED) The method according to claim 56 wherein the step of storing a predetermined identifying name of the element further comprises the step of storing the other [digital] data relating to the element in said other [digital] data fields.

58. (AMENDED) The method according to claim 57 wherein the video camera system includes a display device, further comprising the step of:

- (a) displaying the identifying name of the element on the display device in response to interpreting the electrical signal; and,
- (b) displaying selected of said other [digital] data stored in the element record on the display device in response to interpreting the electrical signal.

61. (AMENDED) A method for capturing a video image of an element with a video camera system comprising the steps of;

- (a) storing a predetermined identifying name of the element in a memory module contained within the video camera system; <sup>→ camera + computer</sup>
- (b) scanning a barcode associated with the element with a barcode scanner directly connected to the video camera system, said barcode including a bar pattern representative of the predetermined name of the element; and,
- (c) displaying the predetermined element name [of] on a display device of the video camera system in response to scanning the barcode, thereby identifying the element to an operator.

64. (AMENDED) The method of claim 61 further comprising the steps of:

- (a) storing a plurality of data fields relating to the element in the memory module, each data field having the predetermined element name associated therewith;  
and,
- (b) displaying at least a portion of the plurality of data fields relating to the element on a display device of the video camera system in response to scanning the barcode, thereby providing the operator with access to the data in the data fields.